

SMART BUILDINGS ADAPTABLE TO THE CLIMATE CHANGE EFFECTS (CIA_CLIM)

Goal of the project

The specific objective of the project is centred on the increase of energy efficiency of buildings, by using smart facades with low-thermal transfer and smart energy efficiency through building automatization and solar energy collectors, through a modular laboratory demonstrative application. The resulted system, the smart house, is conceived thus to minimize the input energy for maintenance.

Short description of the project

The four component projects are focusing on two principal research directions:

- (i) use of smart facades with the low-thermal transfer, actively integrated for the enhancement of internal comfort and possessing a passive control of energy and
- (ii) smart energy efficiency through building automatization and solar energy collectors.



Project implemented by

Politehnica University Timișoara as coordinator (CO), in collaboration with

- Technical University of Civil Engineering of Bucharest (UTCB, P1),
- Technical University of Cluj-Napoca (UTCN, P2),
- National Institute for R & D in Electrical Engineering Bucharest (ICPE – CA, P3) and
- National Institute of R & D for Electrochemistry and Condensed Matter Timișoara (INCEMC, P4)

Implementation period

01.03.2018 – 30.06.2021

Main activities

Project 1 investigates the mechanical properties of cellular materials used as thermal insulations in smart façade systems, through mechanical compression, bending and toughness fracture testing.

Project 2 is focused on obtaining, characterizing and testing of high-property materials used for smart facades as thermal insulation materials and as support for special property layers: photo-catalytic layers and with reduced absorption/reflexion of UV-VIS-IR radiation.

Project 3 investigates the implementation of the electric power distribution in direct current for individual households or in small communities (smart-grid), with renewable energy sources integration.

Project 4 implements the knowledge and data resulted from projects no. 1-3 through a modular laboratory demonstrative application. The project will perform an integrated study on the influence of the facades and the energetic contribution to the internal comfort of the building.

Results

- Determination of mechanical proper-ties of cellular materials used as thermal insulations in smart façade systems;
- Production, characterization and testing of high-property materials used for smart facades as thermal insulation materials and as support for special property layers;
- Implementation of the electric power distribution in direct current for individual households or in small communities (smart-grid), with renewable energy sources integration, finalizing with an experimental platform;
- Modular laboratory demonstrative application for the implementation of project results, performing a global study regarding the influence of the facades and the energetic contribution to the internal comfort of the building.



Applicability and transferability of the results

In the construction domain, the energy represents the key-point in achieving efficient buildings. All the results obtained in the frame of the project are expected to be of interest for the economic environment, from manufacturers to contractors. Design guidelines and recommendations will be provided.

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Research Centre

- ICER – The Research Institute for Renewable Energy, UPT (CO);
- “St. Nadasan” Research Laboratory for Strength, Integrity and Durability of materials, structures and conductors, UPT (CO);
- Research Center of Environmental Science and Engineering, UPT (CO);
- Intelligent Control of Energy Conversion and Storage Research Center, UPT (CO);
- ACTEX – Integrated Platform of Research and Development for the Behaviour of Structures under Extreme Actions, UPT (CO);
- CAMBI – Advanced Research Center for Ambiental Quality and Building Physics, UTCB (P1);
- EEC – Energy Efficiency in Buildings, UTCB (P1);
- RLSDEPE – Research Laboratory and Sustainable Development in Electronics and Power Electronics, UTCN (P2);
- Department for Efficiency in Conversion and Consumption of Energy, ICPE – CA (P3);
- Renewable Energies – Photovoltaics – Laboratory, INCEMC (P4);
- Chemical and Electrochemical Synthesis Department, INCEMC (P4).

Research team

The research team is composed by 90 researchers of the five institutions.

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